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SUBJ: NUCLEAR POWER WARSHIP (NPW) VISITS

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1. EMBASSY ENCOURAGES NPW TASK FORCE TO REQUEST PORT CALL HERE. IMPRESSIVE DISPLAY OF U.S. MILITARY POWER AND ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY WOULD BE USEFUL IN TERMS OF U.S. POLICY OBJECTIVES HERE.

2. WE CANNOT, OF COURSE, TELL IN ADVANCE WHETHER GOY WILL APPROVE. OPPOSITION BY THE PUBLIC TO THINGS NUCLEAR IS NOT LIKELY TO BE A PROBLEM IN THIS COMMUNIST COUNTRY. SUCCESSFUL PORT CALL BY "SARATOGA" HAS SET PRECEDENT FOR CARRIERS, EVEN THOUGH THERE IS NONE FOR NUCLEAR-POWERED WARSHIPS. LAW MENTIONED REFTTEL B ESTABLISHES REGULATIONS FOR NUCLEAR-POWERED MERCHANT SHIPS, BUT SAYS NOTHING ABOUT WARSHIPS.

3. PLEASE ADVISE IF DEPARTMENT WISHES US TO APPROACH YUGOSLAVS DIRECTLY AT THIS POINT TO SEEK REACTION TO POSSIBILITY OF NPW VISIT. EARLY SUBMISSION OF FORMAL REQUEST FOR VISIT WOULD BE ADVISABLE.
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